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Mr. Sami Venkatachalam Chetti :—" May I know whether the Government propose to bring up this Bill at all before the House ?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur :— " Yes, Sir."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" Sir, in view of the fact that the number of bucket shops has been increasing and in view of the fact that they have been doing so much injury to the public of Madras, may I know why the Police department under the charge of my hon. Friend has not been keeping a register of these criminals ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur :— " They have got a register."

Dr. B. S. Mallayya :—" Is the hon. the Home Member aware that either he or some of the members of the Select Committee were approached by respectable and influential owners of bucket shops to see that the Bill was delayed as long as possible ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur :— " I protest against that suggestion, Sir."

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—" May I know, Sir, whether it is the definite and specific promise of the hon. the Home Member that the Bill with such amendments as the Government may recommend to this House, will be brought before the House at the next meeting of the Council ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur :— "Yes, Sir, as far as I am able to gather."

Mr. Ramanath Goenka :—" Did not the hon. the Home Member promise that the Bill would be introduced even in the last session ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur :— " I have already explained the reasons why the Government were not able to introduce it last session, Sir."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" May I know why, in that case, he can't say that he does not think it necessary to call for the information, instead of saying in the answer that he has called for the information ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur :— " I have called for the information, Sir, but it takes some time to get the information."

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—" May I know whether as soon as the information is received, it will be placed on the table of the House ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur :— " Yes, Sir, certainly."

Stationery

Indent of typewriters required for Government offices on the Superintendent of Stationery.

* 283 Q.—Mr. C. S. Govindaraja Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government have issued a Government Order that all officers who indent for typewriters should do so on the Superintendent of Stationery, Madras ;

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(b) what are the names of typewriters which the Government have approved for use in their offices ;

(c) on whose recommendation they have so approved ;

(d) whether it is a fact that in the case of some types of machines the Superintendent of Stationery has tried in vain to get them repaired for want of accessories or parts required for such repairs, and if so, why ; and

(e) whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table of this House a copy or copies of Government Orders relating to the supply of typewriting machines to Government offices issued by the Government for the information and guidance of officers indenting for the same and the Superintendent of Stationery ?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) A list [a] showing the patterns of typewriters approved for use in Government offices is annexed.

(c) The Superintendent of Stationery.

(d) No, the question does not arise.

(e) The instructions regarding the supply of typewriters to Government offices are contained in Chapter IX of the Stationery Manual, Volume I. A copy of the Manual is available for reference in the Council Library.

Criminal Justice

Enhancement of the sentence passed on Mr. White.

*284 *Q.*—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state with reference to the answers to question No. 1676 answered on 11th March 1929, whether any and if so what instructions were issued to the Crown Prosecutor in the matter of application for enhancement of sentence imposed on Mr. White for shooting a coolie in the Madras Port Trust compound ?

A.—The Crown Prosecutor was asked to move the High Court for an enhancement of the sentence passed on Mr. White.

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao :—“ May I know, Sir, whether the Crown Prosecutor did make a motion in the High Court and if so, what the result of it was ? ”

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—“ Yes, there was a motion in the High Court and the result was that the petition was dismissed.”

Forests

Sale of agricultural implements in Kurnool district.

*285 *Q.*—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state with reference to the replies given to question No. 1959 answered on 27th March 1929 regarding sale of agricultural implements in Kurnool district—

(a) whether the report called for has been received, and

(b) if so, what it is ?

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